



# Framtíð byggðapróunar á Norðurlöndum

Samgöngu- og sveitarstjórnarráðuneytið, Byggðastofnun og Nordregio standa að alþjóðlegri ráðstefnu um tækifæri og áskoranir í byggðapróun í Háskólanum á Akureyri **fimmtudaginn 12. september frá kl. 9–17.**

Leiðandi norrænir og alþjóðlegir sérfræðingar flytja erindi á ráðstefnunni um tiltekna þætti er varða tækifæri og áskoranir í byggðapróun til framtíðar. Áhersla verður lögð á ólíka þætti byggðapróunar, t.d. velferð, þéttbýlismyndun, dreifbýlispróun, loftslagsmál, þróun á norður-slóðum og margt fleira.

Viðburðurinn er öllum opinn en áhugasamir geta skráð sig á skráningarvef ráðstefnunnar. Ráðstefnan fer fram á ensku og verður henni streymt í beinni útsendingu á vef Stjórnarráðsins.

## Opportunities and challenges for future regional development.

### Dagskrá:

- **9:00: Opening Address** — **Eyjólfur Guðmundsson**, Rector at the University of Akureyri.
- **9:10: Introduction: Nordic Cooperation on Regional Policy** — **What topics have been prioritized in the past and what's in the pipeline for the future?** — **Kjell Nilsson**, Director of Nordregio and Affiliated Professor at University of Copenhagen.
- **9:25: Opportunities and challenges for regional development in the North Atlantic Region** — **Snorri Bjorn Sigurdsson**, Head of Department, Icelandic Regional Development Institute.
- **9:45: What have been the key successes — and shortcomings — of regional development policy over the past 20 years, and what are the key lessons to be drawn?** — **José Enrique Garcilazo**, Head of Regional and Rural Policy Unit, OECD.
- **10:20: Coffee break**
- **10:40: The Nordic Welfare State at the crossroads** — **Joakim Palme**, Professor of Political Science, Uppsala University (SE).
- **11:00: Discussants** — **Gerd Slinning & Katarina Fellman (Isabella Palomba Rydén)**.
- **11:30: The sustainable Nordic city of tomorrow** — **Ellen Braae & Henriette Steiner**, Professor and Ass. Professor of Landscape Architecture, University of Copenhagen (DK).
- **11:50: Discussants** — **Jarle Jensen & Olli Vuotilainen (Suvi Anttila)**.
- **12:30: Lunch**
- **13:30: Opportunities and challenges for future rural development policies in the Nordic Region** — **Gro Marit Grimsrud**, Senior Researcher, NORCE Norwegian Research Centre AS (NO).
- **13:50: Discussants** — **Leif Ehrstén & Maria Eriksson (Eydu Christianen)**.
- **14:30: Green transition for resilient Nordic regions** — **Markku Sotarauta**, Professor of Regional Development Studies, University of Tampere (FI).
- **14:50: Discussants** — **Sara Aasted Paarup & Bjørn Barvik (Linnéa Johansson)**.
- **15:20: Coffee break**
- **15:50: Future opportunities and challenges for the Nordic Arctic Region** — **Astrid Ogilvie**, Senior Scientist, Stefansson, Arctic Institute (IS), and former holder of the Nansen Professorship at University of Akureyri.
- **16:10: Discussants** — **Ole Fjordgaard Kjær or Thomas Gaarde Madsen & Holger Bisgaard (Halla Nolsøe Poulsen)**.
- **16:40: Concluding remarks towards a new Nordic Cooperation Programme for Regional Policy** — **Ragnhildur Hjaltadóttir**, Permanent Secretary and **Hermann Sæmundsson**, Director, Ministry of Transport and Local Government (IS).
- **17:00–19:00: Reception at Akureyri Art Museum**